



Port Community Information Bulletin # 30-02
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SECURITY GUARD STANDARDS FOR VESSELS WITH UNDOCUMENTED CREWMEMBERS OR UNAUTHORIZED PERSONS

Amendment to PCIB 15-02.

On September 10, 2002, the Homeland Security Advisory System raised the nations threat condition from "Elevated" to "High". This increase in threat condition has prompted many law enforcement agencies to direct resources specifically towards homeland security. Recognizing the possible shortage in resources, the Captain of the Port has amended PCIB 15-02 as follows:

In the event of exhausting all alternatives to put an armed guard in place with arrest and detention authority, you are authorized to contract class G licensed guards.

If either INS or the Coast Guard become concerned that security is inadequate, in accordance with 33 CFR Part 6, the COTP may issue an order barring the vessel from entry or compelling immediate departure. All other requirements in the *Security Guard Standards for vessels with undocumented crewmembers or unauthorized persons* document remain effective.

Questions or comments regarding this bulletin should be directed to LT Latasha Pennant (813) 228-2189.

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